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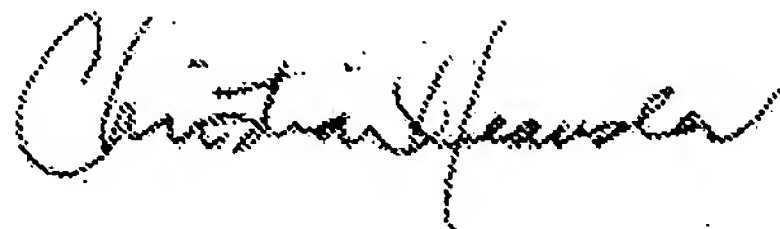
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

In response to the Final Office Action dated May 19, 2008, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on July 19, 2008, Applicants respectfully request entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.